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BARCLAYS LEAGUE DIVISION THREE

**BOLTON WANDERERS**

SATURDAY, 3rd DECEMBER 1988

KICK OFF 3.00 p.m.



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# BRENTFORD



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Although it may seem a little early to wish you all a Happy Christmas this is our last first team game at Griffin Park before the festivities unless we draw at Peterborough next Saturday in which case the replay is here on Wednesday 14th December K.O. 7.45 p.m. But, of course, we hope to see you here on Boxing Day morning K.O. 11.30 a.m.

In the meantime a warm greeting to Bolton Wanderers this afternoon a club we have in the past shared some memorable moments. In 1935 we both won promotion to the First Division and our final match in the top flight was at Bumden Park when we won 2-0.

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## PETERBOROUGH NEXT

We defeated Halesowen Town 2-0 here a fortnight ago in a Cup tie which was a credit to our visitors who played with commendable spirit. This victory earned us a trip to Peterborough or Gillingham who drew at their first meeting at Priestfield. The thought of our manager Steve Perryman meeting up with his old Spurs boss KEITH BURKINSHAW now in charge at Gillingham captured the imagination as they shared in so many Cup triumphs. It was not to be, however, as "Posh" beat the "Gills" in the replay 1-0 after extra time. So we now travel to Peterborough next Saturday.

KLM

## RECORD?

Jeremy Roberts must surely have set up a record by making his debut for the club in 3 competitions in 7 days. He made his first appearance in the FA Cup against Halesowen following up on the following Tuesday in the Sherpa Van Trophy at Fulham and then made his Barclays League debut at Cardiff on the Friday. What a pity he couldn't add to his clean sheets against Halesowen and Fulham

with a third at Cardiff but to concede only 1 goal in 3 opening matches was quite an achievement. With Jeremy's previous game being the previous Tuesday in the Capital League it meant 4 competitions in 11 days.

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## BOB BOOKER

Mention was made of the departure of Bob Booker to Sheffield United in last Tuesday's programme. As many of our supporters may not have read this let us again thank Bob for his tremendously loyal and dedicated service to the Club. We will, of course, honour his benefit game later in the season.

KLM

## JUNIORS EXCEL

Nothing is pleasing everyone at the club at the moment more than the success of our Juniors. Last Saturday they beat Crystal Palace 2-0. (Kelly Haag 2) to move into second place behind Swindon Town in the South East Counties League. Come along here on Monday and cheer them on in probably their toughest task yet Ipswich Town, who have a great youth set-up, providing the opposition in the Southern Junior Floodlit Cup. Our lads have already claimed the scalps of Coventry City and Arsenal in this Cup, where your support would be well appreciated.

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## F.A. YOUTH CUP

As Bourmemouth beat Swansea in the FA Youth Cup we travel to the Dorset coast on Monday December 12th for a Second Round tie. Should this be drawn a replay will be here on Thursday December 15th (K.O. 7.45 p.m.).

KLM

## NO JOY

We got no joy from our visit to Ninian Park on Friday of last week losing by a single goal.

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## S.V.T. WIN

We must be wishing we could play all our away games at Craven Cottage as since Fulham returned to the Third Division in



# MAKE A DATE...

1986 we have made 4 unbeaten visits there. The latest was on Tuesday of last week when goals from Gary Blissett and Richard Cadette gave us a 2-0 win. It was Richard's 10th goal already this season and extended his amazing run of them, all coming in mid-week games.



## LONG TIME

Goal scorers to date:-

Football League — McCulloch 20, Reid 13, Scott 8, McKenzie 2, Holliday 2, Smith 1, Hopkins 1. Total 47.

London Combination — McAloon 11, Townsend 6, SINTON 4, Holliday 4, Smith 2, Muttitt 2, Briddon 1, Murray 1, Dumbrell 1, Mowatt 1, Bamford 1, G. Wilkins 1, M. Edelson 1. Total 36.

F.A. Cup — McCulloch 3, Holliday 1, Wilson 1. Total 5.

We know Andy Sinton has had a fortunate run in the team but this extract from the programme of February 5th 1938 takes a bit of believing!!

Incidentally we were top of the First Division that day with Wolves 2nd, Arsenal 3rd and Liverpool bottom but one.

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## INJURIES

Tony Parks is still out of action with his Achilles tendon injury and is now joined on the treatment table by Jamie Bates who suffered a similar injury at Cardiff. Hopefully Neil Smillie and Graham Pearce will be fit today and John Smeulders has also recovered from his knee surgery.



## OLDEST SWINGER?

Congratulations on yet another birthday to Stuart Le Cassick, a loyal supporter who has the reputation of the oldest swinger in town.

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## RESERVES TOO

Our Reserves have also done well lately and details of their games are listed below:-

**Colchester v Brentford**  
14th September, 1988

1-2

1. Wilf Agbonavbare. 2. Peter Sim. 3. David Watson. 4. Jamie Bates. 5. Mark Hope. 6. Bob Booker. 7. Matthew Potter. 8. Bruce Rowe. 9. Colin Lee. 10. Paul Dale. 11. Marcus Gayle. 12. Steve Perryman. 14. Graham Pearce.

Scorers: Paul Dale, Graham Pearce.

**Wokingham v Brentford**

22nd September, 1988

1-2

1. Jeremy Roberts. 2. Andy Feeley. 3. David Watson. 4. Graham Pearce. 5. Mark Hope. 6. Paul Buckle. 7. Matthew Potter. 8. Bruce Roe. 9. Kevin Godfrey. 10. Allan Cockram. 11. Marcus Gayle. 12. Peter Sim. 14. Spencer Tuckerman.

Scorers: Paul Buckle, Allan Cockram.

**Barnet v Brentford**

28th September, 1988

3-0

1. Jeremy Roberts. 2. Matthew Howard. 3. Graham Pearce. 4. Mark Hope. 5. Robert Larkin. 6. Andy Feeley. 7. Paul Buckle. 8. Kevin Godfrey. 9. Kelly Haag. 10. Bob Booker. 11. Marcus Gayle. 12. Khotso Moabi. 14. Andrew Driscoll.

**Brentford v Enfield**

18th October, 1988

9-0

1. Jeremy Roberts. 2. Matthew Howard. 3. Graham Pearce. 4. Colin Lee. 5. Terry Evans. 6. Bob Booker. 7. Andrew Driscoll. 8. Paul Buckle. 9. Dean Holdsworth. 10. Kevin Godfrey. 11. Marcus Gayle. 12. Roger Stanislaus. 14. Robert Larkin.

Scorers: Andrew Driscoll, Paul Buckle, Dean Holdsworth (6). Kevin Godfrey.

**Brentford v Leyton Orient**

15th November, 1988

2-1

1. Jeremy Roberts. 2. Brian Cronk. 3. Fergus Moore. 4. Keith Millen. 5. Mark Hope. 6. Bob Booker. 7. Nicky Ryder. 8. Allan Cockram. 9. Colin Lee. 10. Kevin Godfrey. 11. Jonathan Moyse. 12. Paul Wallace. 14. Jason Fenton.

Scorers: Bob Booker, Colin Lee.

**Brentford v Wokingham Town**

Wednesday, 23rd November, 1988

2-0

1. Ashley Bayes. 2. Matthew Howard. 3. Roger Stanislaus. 4. Jason Cousins. 5. Robert Larkin. 6. Paul Buckle. 7. Andrew Driscoll. 8. Allan Cockram. 9. Kelly Haag. 10. Robert Peters. 11. Marcus Gayle. 12. Colin Jones. 14. Peter Sim.

Scorer: Gayle 2.

ERIC WHITE

**Monday December 5th**

**IPSWICH TOWN**

**Southern Junior Floodlight Cup**  
k.o. 7.45pm

**Wednesday December 14th**

**SOUTHEND UNITED**

**Capital League**  
k.o. 7.45pm

**Monday, December 19th**

**THEATRE TRIP TO  
LES MISERABLES**

**Friday, December 23rd**

**THE ULTIMATE  
CHRISTMAS PARTY**

**Boxing Day**

**Monday December 26th**

**BLACKPOOL**

**Football League Division 3**  
k.o. 11.30 a.m.

**Saturday December 31st**

**WOLVES**

**Barclays League Division 3**  
k.o. 3.00pm

**Monday January 23rd**

**SPORTING EVENING  
WITH TOMMY DOCHERTY  
BEES INN**

**February 14th 1989**

**VALENTINES PARTY**

**Monday 10th April 1989**

**9th SPORTSMAN DINNER**

**Guest Speakers**  
**MIKE REID**  
**JIM WATT**

**THURSDAY 18th MAY 1989**

**4TH PRO/AM GOLF**

**15th June 1989**

**LEAVE FOR U.S.A.**

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# Steve Says

As you all know Bob Booker has moved on to Sheffield United. It is a good move for him at this stage of his career and perhaps in a way it is the end of an era at Brentford. Most supporters will be sorry to see him go and although I have only been associated with him for two years he has always given me tremendous support and great help and I wish him the best of luck in his future career. We will of course honour the promise of a benefit game later in the season so we shall see him back here then.

I must say our recent away results have been causing me some consternation bearing in mind that we have taken only one point from our visits to Reading, Mansfield and Cardiff whereas a few minutes from the end of the match at Reading we thought we had three points from that game alone and we have just not made up the two points we lost then. Certainly the defence cannot be faulted as a single goal at both Mansfield and Cardiff have lost us the games. Now we have to face an away trip to Peterborough in the FA Cup and whilst performances in Cup and League do not always go in parallel it would have been nice to go there having got something from Cardiff. However our away Cup performances, twice at Fulham and once at Blackburn, have been of a good standard but recently in the League we just have not scored enough from the chances we have created and we are thus stuttering along in the Third Division full of glee from a good home result immediately followed by the loss of three points away.

When I first watched Brentford from the terraces as a small lad they were a good home side and did not do much away but in recent years away results have been good but home performances disappointing and I believe that several seasons the Club has picked up more points away than at home. Now we seem to be producing the goods at home with eight wins to the end of November and doing very little away. We must put this right to progress but when I see our team against other sides such as Fulham I cannot understand how they are getting better away results than us. We shall keep working on it. The fact that the match at Cardiff was played on a Friday gave me the opportunity of seeing our Juniors beat Crystal Palace on Saturday morning. There is a confident look about the lads and their teamwork is excellent and I suggest anyone with red and white blood in their veins comes along to see them. You have an ideal opportunity on Monday evening when Ipswich Town provide the toughest opposition they have faced this season in the Floodlit Cup here. Having said that do not forget they have already knocked out Coventry City and Arsenal.



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TONY PARKS  
JAMIE BATES  
Achilles tendon



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# Beer Welcome



## BOLTON WANDERERS



*Back Row (left to right): Ian Callaghan, Gary Henshaw, Paul Hughes, David Felgate, Julian Darby, Ian Stevens, Chris O'Brien.*

*Middle Row: Phil Neal (Manager), Steve Carroll (Youth Coach), Nicky Brookman, Gary Brown, Stuart Storer, Trevor Morgan, Dave McKearnly, Bob Savage, Jeff Chandler, Mick Brown (Coach), Phil Stock (Physio).*

*Front Row: John Thomas, Steve Elliott, Phil Brown, Mark Came, Mark Winstanley, Dean Crombie, Barry Cowdrill, Steve Thompson.*

## The Manager

### PHIL NEAL

Phil won more honours than any player in English football history during his days at Liverpool, including winners medals for seven League titles, four European Cups, four League Cups and the UEFA Cup. Besides that, his 50 appearances for England shattered the previous full-back record held by Blackpool's Jimmy Armfield.

Phil made more than 200 senior appearances for Northampton before joining Liverpool in a £85,000 deal in November 1974, and had 416 consecutive games before injury forced him to miss the First Division fixture against Sunderland in October 1983. That, and the Milk Cup tie here four days later, were the only times he had been absent from the Liverpool line-up to the end of the 1984-85 season.

Phil succeeded Charlie Wright as manager of Bolton in December 1985, and against Wolves a few weeks back made his 700th League appearance.

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Bolton are in a similar boat to ourselves at the moment in that with more than a third of the season gone the best they can hope for is to squeeze into the play-offs via a place in the top six. It would not be the first time Bolton's future has been settled in the end of season play-offs. In 1986/87 they were forced into that situation after finishing with only Carlisle, Darlington and Newport below them in the Third Division table. Their opponents, Aldershot, beat them 1-0 at the Recreation Ground and then doomed Bolton to their first ever taste of life in the Fourth Division with a 2-2 draw at Burnden Park, where the crowd of 7,445 was only surpassed by the 10,135 for the Boxing Day derby against Bury.

Wanderers spent only one year in the basement, achieving automatic promotion on the last day of the campaign by virtue of a 1-0 victory at Wrexham while their rivals for third place Torquay were going down 2-1 at home to Scunthorpe.

Bolton have made a steady start on their return to the Third Division, a 2-1 victory over Northampton last Saturday lifting them into ninth place. Defensively, they boast the best away record in the Division, having on average conceded a goal-a-game in their previous eight sorties out of Lancashire. Wanderers have had differing fortunes in Cup Competition. The Littlewoods saw them go out 3-2 on aggregate to Chester City, the second leg at Sealand Road in which they lost 3-1 costing them defender Mark Came with a broken leg. In the FA Cup they have progressed to a second round tie at Port Vale when after being held 0-0 at home by Chesterfield they came from 2-down to win the replay 3-2 thanks to goals from Stevens (58), Storer (79) and Darby (84).

Bolton averaged 5,017 on their way to promotion last season, a figure that has risen to almost 5,500 this campaign thanks largely to games against Sheffield United (9,345), Wolves (8,174) and Bury (7,897).

Bolton will have fond memories of their last visit to Griffin Park even though it came part way through a season in which they were relegated to the Fourth Division. The reason? Well by virtue of winning 2-1 (Gavin, Thompson), they ended a losing sequence in London which stretched back 32 games to their First Division days in 1978-79.

That victory was one of only two they achieved on their travels all season, the other was at Darlington 1-0. Brentford made amends in the return, goals from Gary Stevens and Robbie Cooke setting up a 2-0 success.

Bolton had been to the First Division and back between their visits to Griffin Park in August 1972 and April 1984.

In 1972, Brentford came from behind to win 2-1 (Allen, Murray) on August Bank Holiday Monday in front of Griffin Park's top crowd of the season 11,800. In one of the best games here in many years, Byrom gave Bolton an early lead, but faced by non-stop pressure their defence eventually wilted. Mickey Allen netted the equaliser, and two minutes before the interval Alan Murray fired what transpired the winner. That win lifted us into second spot, but by the time we met in the return it was a very different kettle of fish and while Burnden's second best crowd of the season 21,646, were intent on celebrating Bolton's championship success, Brentford were already destined for the Fourth Division. True to form Bolton won 2-0 (Byrom, Nicholson).

Our paths next crossed in January 1976 when we were drawn against each other in the third round of the FA Cup. The first attempt to settle the issue ended in a goalless stalemate in front of a crowd of 12,452, Griffin Park's

best since Bolton's previous visit. They went on to win the replay 2-0 watched by a bumper Burnden Park attendance of 18,538.

Bolton just missed out on promotion to the First Division that season and the next, but made no mistake twelve months later when pipping Southampton and Spurs to the Second Division title.

Sadly Bolton lasted only two seasons in top grade and they completed their ten years round trip when falling back into the Third Division in May 1983. Brentford have had the better of the argument in the eight meetings between the two clubs since. The first defeat came at Burnden in December 1983 when Jeff Chandler netted the game's only goal. Two goals in the first four minutes from Francis Joseph helped ensure Bolton got no joy in the return, an own goal by Ray Deakin completing a comprehensive 3-0 victory.

The following season we won 2-1 (Cassells, Kamara) at Griffin Park and drew the return 1-1, Chris Kamara coming on as substitute to net the equaliser after Steve Thompson had fired Bolton ahead. We came from behind to win at Burnden twelve months later. Warren Joyce opened the scoring, Steve Wignall equalised with his first League goal for Brentford and after Gary Phillips saved Steve Thompson's penalty kick, Robbie Cooke was on hand to score the winner.

With Ian Hclloway making his debut, we drew the return 1-1 (Booker).

## LOCAL FINDS

Only local finds JULIAN DARBY and STEVE THOMPSON remain of the Bolton side which last played at Griffin Park in November 1986.

Goalkeeper MIKE SALMON is now with Wrexham. JIMMY PHILLIPS subsequently joined Glasgow Rangers for £75,000, later moving to Oxford United for £110,000. DEREK SCOTT is the only player who has since dropped out of League football, and now wears the colours of Colne Dynamos.

In July 1987 Rochdale paid a club record fee of £20,000 for MARK GAVIN, and he moved to Hearts for £30,000 before returning to England to sign for Bristol City in October. DAVE SUTTON has moved to Rochdale. STEVE ELLIOTT cost Bury £16,000. ASA HARTFORD is now manager of Stockport County. GEORGE OGHANI is with Burnley. WARREN JOYCE now plies his trade at Preston, the fee involved was £30,000. And TONY CALDWELL, who finished the campaign as Bolton's leading scorer moved first to Bristol City for £22,500, then on to Grimsby in exchange for Scott McGarrey followed three weeks later by a move to Stockport for a five figure fee.

Apart from DARBY and THOMPSON, the Bolton side which came from behind to beat Northampton 2-1 (Stevens, Brookman) last Saturday was Welsh International goalkeeper DAVID FELGATE, whose moves in and out of Burnden Park will soon rival John Docherty's at Brentford. In between his three spells with Bolton he has also played for Lincoln, Grimsby, Rochdale, Crewe and Cardiff. PHIL BROWN, who made more than 350 League appearances for Hartlepool and Halifax before moving to Burnden in the summer. BARRY COWDRILL, previously with W.B.A. DEAN CROMBIE, who won a Third Division Championship medal with Grimsby in 1980. MARK WINSTANLEY and NICK BROOKMAN who both rose through the ranks. Much travelled striker TREVOR MORGAN, a former

*continued below*

## PREVIOUS RECORD v BOLTON WANDERERS

### SUMMARY

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
HOME	12	7	4	1	23	11	20
AWAY	12	3	3	6	12	16	11
TOTAL	24	10	7	7	35	27	31

F.A. CUP		HOME	AWAY
75/76	3rd ROUND	0-0	
75/76	3rd ROUND REP.		0-2

team mate of Trevor Hurlock at Leytonstone and Ilford, whose previous League clubs are Bournemouth, Mansfield, Bristol City, Exeter and Bristol Rovers. IAN STEVENS (ex-Preston and Stockport). And STUART STORER (ex Mansfield, Birmingham and Everton). The sub's were player manager PHIL NEALE and GARY HENSHAW, another two notable absentees were MARK CAME, now on the road to recovery after breaking a leg at Chester, and last season's leading marksman with 28 in all competitions JOHN THOMAS, who has been on the injured list for the last six weeks. JOHN, now in his second spell at Burnden, has also worn the colours of Everton, Tranmere, Halifax, Chester, Lincoln and Preston for whom he scored 38 goals in only 78 League appearances, including 28 the season before last when they were promoted from the Fourth Division. The squad is completed by Hammersmith born Eire International JEFF CHANDLER (ex-Blackpool, Leeds, Derby and Mansfield). ROB SAVAGE (ex-Liverpool, Wrexham, Stoke, Bournemouth and Bradford City). And local finds PAUL HUGHES, GARY BROWN and DAVID MCKEARNEY.

GRAHAM HAYNES



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**DRINKING AND DRIVING  
WRECKS LIVES.**



# A life in the day of

## Football in the Community

Amongst the crowd on Tuesday were a group of Junior Sixth Formers and a teacher from City of London School. They were invited here by Martyn Spong at a talk which he and Keith Loring gave to them in their General studies course on 'The History of Association Football'. As part of the course, the teacher Mr. Les Smith wrote to all of London's 13 League clubs asking if they could possibly send someone down to give a talk, and Brentford responded by return of post. Mr. Smith also invited me along as I am an Old Boy of the school, and we have kept in touch (despite his being a Reading supporter!) since I left in 1982. It is this course incidentally which has produced over the years the surveys on Third Division programmes which have been published in 'Speaking Personally'.

The class consists of a dozen boys, ten of whom were there, and the talk took place in a small English studio, with Keith and Martyn sitting on a stage at the front. After the introductions, Keith spoke first. "As Chief Executive of Brentford, my number one function is to get into the Club as much money as possible, while letting as little as possible go out," he said. "We are very commercially minded and think that off the field we have a First Division set-up. However, we can't budget for the same amounts that a First Division club can. For instance, the recent Arsenal vs. Liverpool Littlewoods Cup replay which had a 54,000 crowd probably took in gate receipts of something like £350,000, whereas over a season we budget for total gate receipts of £250,000. This season however due to some early good gates, and without much success, we have been able to adjust that figure to £275,000, but even so the difference between the two situations is very evident, and I have to try to bridge that gap." Martyn then took over to explain about The Bees' 'Football In The Community' project, of which he said: "It was launched in April 1987 and the title encompasses its aims. It is also to do with the Club's future survival and to project its name into the Community. For a club to have such a project is a very shrewd move, as they put £7,500 into it out of its total income of £50-55,000. The London Borough Grants Unit donate £11,000, the Sports Council contribute £10,000 whilst the two local authorities involved, Ealing and Hounslow, give £7,500 each. Personally, although I am based at Griffin Park, I am actually employed by the local authorities. I have to give reports to them as well as to the other financial contributors. Of the things that we put on most are football related, but on the other hand there are community activities which we have, whose only link with football is that they take place at Griffin Park."

Martyn continued: "Before I had the interview for my job, I visited some of the other schemes around, including the first-ever one at Millwall, Arsenal and Watford, and I wrote to Manchester City as I wanted to see how they all worked. The vast majority of the job involves coaching sessions and their organisation, therefore a knowledge of coaching was essential as well as organisational ability. As far as using Griffin Park goes, the pitch is obviously quite rightly for the use of the team only so I can't use it, but what I can use are the bars and the commercial areas of the ground. There we hold a Dance and Fitness class, a very successful Bingo club, and an over-50's club which we hope will encourage these people to come back to games. We are also hoping to build a community gym at the ground. Away from Griffin Park we get the use of local sports areas free of charge due to our

link-ups with the Councils, and this means that our courses are cheap. 'Football In The Community' is not done for profit. It is there to provide a service in a cost-effective way. We are trying to vary the things we get involved in now as well. This year for instance, we are helping with a big appeal to raise money for West Middlesex Hospital. We are involved with some fund-raising events and we are letting them make two collections on Match Days."

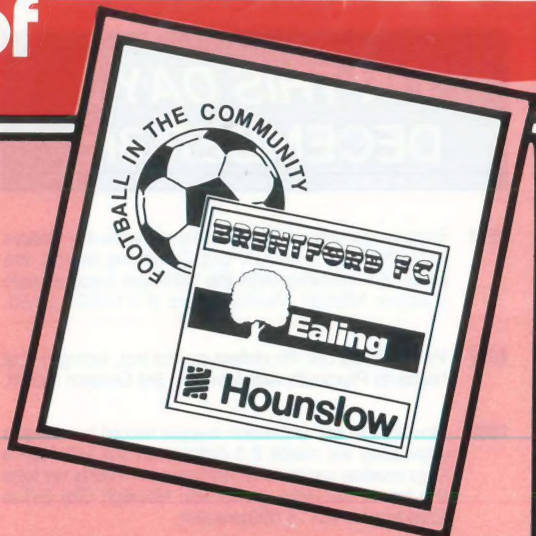
Keith then took over again and commented: "At Brentford there are two teams, one on the field and one off it. Martyn however is in the middle, but we all try to work together as one family. 'Football In The Community' has taken off to such an extent that we are trying to get Martyn an assistant at present."

Then there were questions asked, the first of which was, do the Club know how successful their groups are in getting people from them to games? Martyn answered by saying: "That is something we're working on at the moment. A group from our Over-50's Club have volunteered to help us out in conducting a survey of the crowd. They are going to go into the Family Stand at a home game and find out who exactly is sitting there, what made them come, etc. This will hopefully give us a better idea on that subject."

The next was how would Keith and Martyn's jobs be affected by Brentford being promoted or relegated. Martyn first said: "Not much. It may however affect the success of what we're doing. Brentford being promoted would make my courses far easier, whereas relegation would make them far harder." Keith added: "If we were to get promotion, we are ready for it off the field." They were then asked about attendance patterns and hooliganism, and this time Keith went first, saying: "In 1948, going to football was part of a weekly routine. People went to work from Monday to Friday, and football on Saturday. In 1988 however, with all sports being given wide television coverage, and people being a bit short of cash, and then seeing that it's raining, they were not so keen to bother about going." Martyn continued: "My job is not to stop hooligans, but to work with kids whilst they go from six to sixteen. Hopefully by them being given a decent interest in the game, there is less chance of them growing up in that frame of mind."

After a few more comments the talk closed, and Keith and Martyn left having been much appreciated by the class. They had certainly been made more aware of The Bees' existence, and Football In The Community trips like this can only continue to promote the club's name. Hopefully after last Tuesday night, Brentford will have made a good impression on them on the field as well.

IAN WESTBROOK





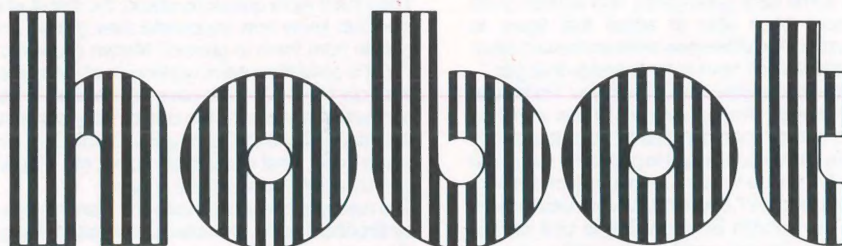
## ON THIS DAY... DECEMBER 3rd

- 1921** Famous Amateurs Dulwich Hamlet were the visitors to Griffin Park in an F.A. Cup Qualifying tie with the Bees 3-1 winners over the Isthmian League side (Capper, Mitchell, Morris) in front of a 10,000 crowd.
- 1927** We suffered our 4th defeat on the trot, losing 0-2 at home to Plymouth Argyle in the 3rd Division South.
- 1932** Having lost our unbeaten league record two weeks previously we made it 3 defeats on the trot, with a Cup reverse sandwiched in between. Today we lose the top of the table game with Norwich City 0-3 in East Anglia with 14,000 present.
- 1938** A Middlesbrough side including ex-Bee Duncan McKenzie were beaten 2-1 at Griffin Park (Holliday, Sneddon) the win lifting Bees out of the 1st Division relegation zone.
- 1947** Eddie Reeve was born in Hounslow. The Bees being Eddie's only league club he signed terms for the club upon turning 18 after service as an apprentice and made his league debut at Mansfield on 11th December 1965. During his stay at the club he appeared 24 times in league action failing to find the net. Upon leaving the club after a fruitless 3 month loan spell
- at Lincoln he tried his hand in the American league with Los Angeles and after a year State-side joined Hillingdon Borough in April 1969 the start of a long and profitable spell in non-league soccer with Borough and later Hounslow during which time he was a prolific scorer. Probably the high spot of his semi-pro career being the goal he netted at Wembley in Hillingdon's 1971 F.A. Trophy Final with Telford. Unfortunately the Borough ending up losing 2-3. Eddie will probably be here today as a spectator.
- 1949** We gain a creditable 1-1 draw at Sheffield United (Dare) in deplorable conditions with the pitch waterlogged and only just playable and a strong gale blowing in through-out the game.
- 1955** We win 2-1 at Newport (Morgan, Dudley) in the 3rd Division South in front of a crowd of 8,035.
- 1983** A 0-1 defeat at Bolton pushes us to 23rd position in the 3rd Division table and made it 7 league games without a win. Stan Bowles' return to the side failing to stop defeat with the home side's winner coming four minutes from time from a player who two years earlier very nearly joined us Jeff Chandler.
- 1986** We finally got to play our 1st Round F.A. Cup tie with Bristol Rovers at the seventh attempt! Managing a goalless draw on the infamous Twerton Park pitch. A memorable day for Steve Perryman as on the morning of the game he picked up his MBE at Buckingham Palace.

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by IAN WESTBROOK

As today is the first home League game for The Bees for almost a month, this is the first time I have reviewed the latest transfers in this column in that time. That last game was against Notts County on 8th November, and it is ironic that it was on that date that County themselves made the most expensive purchase for a Third Division club so far this season.

Their acquisition was forward Stuart Rimmer, for whom they paid Watford £200,000, and for the player himself, with all due respect to County, this move must rank as somewhat of a disappointment. Rimmer had a prolific scoring record at his former club Chester, for whom he was top scorer for three of the last four seasons. It was this form that saw his name linked with a host of First Division clubs, and it was no surprise when he finally got his chance and joined Watford for £215,000 in March. However The Hornets were relegated in May, which can't have helped his cause, and after scoring one goal in ten full and one substitute appearance for the club, he came back to the Third Division last month. He is not the first player to return from Watford in similar circumstances this season, as in October Trevor Senior rejoined Reading after equally unsuccessful spells at Vicarage Road and Middlesbrough. One transfer deal that County were unsuccessful in however was a cross-Trent swap loan deal with Nottingham Forest, which would have seen County's David Kevan and Forest's Brian Laws temporarily change clubs. However the deal was called off as Forest did not want Laws Cup-tied.

November turned out to be a big month for County, as on the 21st their ex-Bees Chairman Jack Dunnett was narrowly voted in as the Football League's new President, ahead of Newcastle's Gordon McKeag. Dunnett in fact only decided to stand for the post a couple of days before the closing date for applicants. Meanwhile last Tuesday's visitors Gillingham have also been busy behind the scenes as Keith Burkinshaw settled in at Priestfield. The ex-Spurs manager firstly offered a backroom job at the club to John Gorman, who had just left as assistant manager, and then appointed Spurs Youth team manager Keith Blunt as his own new assistant. On the pitch, Burkinshaw has made his first signing in Portsmouth midfielder Eamonn O'Collins on a month's loan. Staying with transfers, and there has been one other six-fi-

gure sum involving a Third Division player recently.

The man in question, as mentioned on Tuesday, was Bristol City's Ralph Milne who moved from Bristol City to Manchester United for £170,000. He made his debut a fortnight ago at Old Trafford against Southampton. The Scottish winger has become a bit nomadic, only being at Ashton Gate for nine months, following a spell at Charlton which was a mere three months longer. He started his career at Dundee United. Another forward to leave the Division has been Swansea's Joe Allon, who agreed terms with Hartlepool following a loan spell there. The Swans did reverse the trend however when they brought into the Third Bournemouth's ex-Southampton forward David Puckett on a month's loan with a view to a permanent transfer. Also coming in, only this time permanently, was another forward Oldham's Mike Cecere, who crossed The Pennines to sign for Huddersfield for £60,000. The player had been a victim of unnecessary barracking at recent Boundary Park games. Forwards are definitely in demand at the moment, as another two moved, both leaving Chester. The first to go was Brian Croft who joined Cambridge for a small fee, whilst Gary Bennett, former striking partner of Stuart Rimmer, left Chester on the day that Rimmer joined Notts County when he moved to Southend for £25,000. He made a triumphant return to Sealand Road last Saturday, setting up two goals and scoring the final one, his first for The Shrimpers, in Southend's 4-2 win. There was speculation a week previously however about who was to be his manager, as newspaper articles stated that former manager David Webb was about to return to replace Paul Clark in the hot-seat at Roots Hall, but Chairman Vic Jobson strongly denied it. Meanwhile, the value of defenders was also

not forgotten.

Sheffield United whose line-up has undergone such a drastic transformation in the past six months, changed it still further when they bought Leicester's ex-Lincoln centre-half Steve Thompson for £20,000. The player only moved to Leicester from Charlton in the close season for double that price, but he is now with one of his home town clubs for the first time. Another defender possibly making the same drop in Divisions is ex-Shrewsbury captain Wayne Williams, as The Shrews have loaned the right-back to Northampton for a month with a view to a permanent transfer. Two defenders in sadder positions however are Fulham's Gary Peters and Gillingham's George Shipley. Peters, who had only been at his second Craven Cottage spell for two months, has quit the game after a series of injuries during matches left him concussed, whilst Shipley has had to see a specialist after breaking down again with knee problems. A position not yet dealt with is goalkeeper, but a pair of them have been making the news at local rivals Preston and Blackpool. North End have re-signed veteran Roy Tunks on a weekly contract, seven years after selling him to Wigan, who released him to Hartlepool this summer. The 37-year-old is at Deepdale as cover for David Brown, as reserve 'keeper Alan Kelly is unfit. The name Kelly has been prominent at Bloomfield Road as well, as Newcastle's Gary has just returned to them at the end of his loan spell there. Another Blackpool loss meanwhile has been Secretary David Johnson, who has left the club after eight years to start a new career in the commercial world, whilst another finished loan spell has been midfielder Steve Ketteridge return to Leyton Orient from Cardiff.

Finally, next weekend sees the Second Round of the F.A. Cup take place. At least fourteen Third Division teams will compete at the time of writing, before last Monday's second attempt at Replays between Chesterfield and today's visitors Bolton, and Rochdale and Huddersfield. The winners of the former entertain Port Vale, and of the latter entertain Chester, each of whom got a 2-0 away win in the First Round at Southampton and Burnley respectively. Other all-Third Division ties see Blackpool take on Bury in a North-West derby and Aldershot receive Bristol City, de-

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## BEES SNIPS — JOHN BUTTIGIEG

The signing of Maltese International John Buttigieg from Sliema makes him the sixth international this decade to play for Brentford. John follows in the footsteps of Stan Bowles and Graham Rix (England), Tom Finney (Northern Ireland) and Paddy Roche and Jimmy Holmes (Eire). What sets John apart from the others is that he is a current International while the others had finished their International careers when they arrived at Griffin Park.

Two players to win Under 21 honours this decade while with Brentford were Jim McNichol (Scotland) and Gary Roberts (Wales).

Having an overseas International at the club reminds me of the last time this occurred which was in the early seventies with Brian Turner, the all action New Zealand midfielder.

**FRANK COUMBE**





# BEEES HISTORY

## HISTORY PART 255 1973-74 DIVISION FOUR (PART 1)

Relegation had a profound affect, and it can justly be claimed that in its aftermath Brentford suffered one of the most unsettling periods in the club's history.

That all was not well at Griffin Park became patently obvious when in July manager Frank Blunstone resigned to take over as Youth Team Coach at Manchester United.

In a telegram sent to all the directors, Blunstone, who was not under contract, said that he felt that under the present system he had no alternative but to resign.

In a statement he said he had reached the point where he could no longer carry on. "I was never allowed to manage in the way I'd hoped", he added.

Frank, the 11th manager to leave the club since the war, had worked wonders getting Brentford promoted in 1971-72 with one of the smallest playing staffs in the Football League. The fans warmed to the brand of football on display at Griffin Park, and during his reign Brentford could boast one of the best supported sides in the lower Divisions. Despite this he was never given the financial backing needed to keep the Brentford bandwagon rolling, and it was a disappointed man who left to take up his appointment at Old Trafford. Under normal circumstances, a relegated side would have supporters clamouring for the manager's head at some stage. At Brentford this did not happen. The fans knew where the real blame lay. The Brentford Board advertised the vacant post and from 36 applicants chose Mike Everitt, player manager of Wimbledon who the previous season finished in 12th position in the Southern League, Premier Division.

Just 32 years old, Everitt had started his playing career with



Arsenal, and subsequently played a key role in Northampton's meteoric rise from the Fourth Division to the First in the early sixties. He later had a few years with both Brighton and Plymouth Argyle and his first experience of life on the other side of the fence ended in disaster when Western League Plymouth City folded midway through the 1971-72 season.

He inherited a squad which numbered just 14 players. Gone from the previous season were goalkeeper Gordon Phillips, who after 227 games signed for Hillingdon Borough, Alan Murray who joined Doncaster, David Jenkins, who left for Hereford United and David Court. The only newcomer of note was goalkeeper Gary Towse, signed on a free transfer from Crystal Palace. Everitt's appointment came just seven days before the campaign got underway, which left him little time to weigh-up his new charges.

It soon became apparent that major surgery was required if Brentford were to have any chance of a quick return to the Third Division.

The first three games all ended in defeat, 1-0 at Hartlepool, 2-1 at home to Orient in the League Cup and then 1-0 to Exeter in a dour curtain raiser to the League campaign at Griffin Park.

Five points from the next three games improved matters, but successive defeats at home to Reading and away to Bury prompted Mike Everitt to make his first excursion

into the transfer market.

Defender Mick Brown was signed on loan from Brighton, and skilful midfielder Dave Metchick, previously with Arsenal, Fulham, Orient and QPR returned from America where he played for four years with Atlantic Appollos, scoring 13 goals in 55 appearances, and was voted into the NASL All Star team in 1970.

Their presence helped secure a 5-1 victory over Barnsley, a match in which the visitors had 90% of the play yet were sunk by three goals in the first 12 minutes and two more in the closing four. The transfer dealings did not end there, however, and Hughie Reed was signed on loan from Plymouth, taking over from the injured John Docherty in the 1-0 defeat at Reading and Gordon Riddick, who had more than 300 games for Luton, Gillingham, Charlton, Orient and Northampton under his belt, made his bow three days later at Lincoln, who managed to overturn a two goal half-time deficit to beat the Bees 3-2.

The newcomers made little difference to the team's performance, in fact it went from bad to worse and one point from the next four games saw Brentford sink to the bottom of the table.

It had been threatening for weeks and was finally realised on 27 October when the previous bottom dogs Darlington beat fellow strugglers Doncaster 1-0 and Brentford's defence leaked four goals in the opening 17 minutes at Scunthorpe before eventually going down 4-1.

It was 36 years to the month since Brentford hammered Charlton Athletic 5-2 to take over the leadership of the First Division for the first time. Brentford already had one unwanted record in that they were the first club since the war to crash from the First Division into the Fourth, and had now set another, as the first side in history to at one stage lead the First Division and later also prop up the rest as members of the Fourth. (to be continued).

GRAHAM HAYNES





# Personally Speaking

## The Hard-Core Supporter

If you are a regular Brentford supporter it is a fair bet that you are watching today's game from the same position in the ground as you were in at the last match. Although this is obviously true in the case of season-ticket holders, it is remarkable how this comment also applies to those supporters who are standing out on the terraces. If you take a glance around at the people standing nearby it is very likely that you will see the same faces as were at the last match and, indeed, who will be at the next match. These are the hard-core supporters; those who come to every match regardless. Regardless of their personal circumstances at the time; regardless of the weather and regardless of the current form of the team. These are the fans who will be here on a bitterly cold February evening, still recovering from the after-effects of the flu, and the team not having won for five matches. But, if this is taken further, one discovers that these comments do not only apply to Brentford but to every club in the Football League. Clubs attendance figures are remarkably consistent and are not affected by

the team's level of performances to the extent which one would expect. For example, Wimbledon, having won the F.A. Cup, have not been able to attain any significant improvement in attendances for routine League games. When higher crowds have been achieved this has mainly been due to the visiting support. Alternatively, well-supported clubs, like Sunderland and Wolves, have been able to maintain this support during their spells in the lower divisions. One remembers how Sunderland fans literally filled the Ealing Road end of our ground on the opening day of last season and that was their first League game since relegation. One cannot imagine any circumstances in which Wimbledon would be able to do that. It would seem, therefore, that every club has its own contingent of hard-core supporters and that events are not likely to change that number very significantly. If one took a random fixture list for any Saturday covering all four divisions it would probably be easier to predict the attendances to within a thousand than it would be to predict the results of the matches.

One thing that is certain, however, is the importance of every hard-core supporter to every club. Without them no club, be it Liverpool or Darlington, would be able to survive.

GEOFF VIAL

## RESERVE LEAGUE TABLES

### CAPITAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE

(Up to and incl. Thursday, 24th November 1988)

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Barnet	9	9	0	0	24	10	27
Cambridge U.	9	5	2	2	23	10	17
<b>Brentford</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>15</b>
Southend Utd.	8	4	2	2	14	8	14
Wycombe W.	7	3	1	2	15	12	11
Wealdstone	7	3	1	3	15	15	10
Colchester U.	7	2	3	3	11	14	9
Leyton Orient	6	2	2	2	10	10	8
Welling Utd	5	2	0	3	7	6	6
Enfield	7	1	3	3	8	22	6
Gillingham	6	1	1	4	11	16	4
Aylesbury Utd	6	1	0	5	4	18	3
Wokingham T.	10	0	2	8	12	24	2

### SOUTH EAST COUNTIES DIVISION TWO

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Swindon Town	13	9	3	1	31	18	21
<b>Brentford</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>18</b>
Bournemouth	14	8	1	5	25	19	17
Oxford Utd.	13	8	1	4	21	20	17
Luton Town	12	6	3	3	32	17	15
Wimbledon	12	7	1	4	29	20	15
Crystal Palace	14	6	2	6	30	17	14
Southampton	11	4	4	3	24	15	12
Brighton & Hove	13	3	5	5	18	19	11
Colchester Utd.	13	4	3	6	23	25	11
Bristol City	11	2	6	3	13	14	10
Reading	14	4	0	10	21	46	8
Northampton T.	11	2	3	6	20	31	7
Tottenham H.	13	3	1	9	20	37	7
Bristol Rovers	13	3	1	9	13	33	7



# Community Column

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## Family Stand Supervisors

The family stand terrace and seats are becoming increasingly full, in a large part due to organised parties who might be visiting the ground for the first time. To make this area have a real family atmosphere two members of the Over 50's Social Club, Mr. G.C. Donald and Mr. K. Harman have taken on the responsibility to supervise, give information and generally act as a link between the club and its supporters within this section of the ground. We would like two more people to help with this job male or female, in return we will give free admittance to every home game. If you would like to be involved and feel you have something to offer, please write to Martyn Spong at Brentford F.C. giving details of why you would like to do the job.

## JOIN US FOR EASTER

Our Easter trip is now organised with the following itinerary.

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Dear Keith  
Doubtless by now you will have seen the Working Party Report on the Football National Membership Scheme published on 9th November or, at least, read press reports on the subject.

The Government are determined to ensure that troublemakers will not be admitted to the scheme at the outset. Therefore, it is proposed that past behaviour be taken into account when deciding who shall be disqualified from membership.

I would commend, for your consideration, that an article be inserted in a match programme(s) explaining that anyone arrested or ejected from the ground may find himself disqualified from membership of the Scheme. Perhaps, such an article could be supplemented by a reminder(s) on the stadium broadcasting system.

It would be a great pity for any Brentford supporter not to realise that misbehaviour this season might jeopardise an application at the start of next season.

I would be interested to receive your views on my suggestion.

G.A. DAWSON

CHIEF INSPECTOR OPERATIONS



Merry Grainne  
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21 Nov. 1988.

Dear Eric,  
When reviewing the 1989 edition of "Club Directory" in the programme for the FA Cup tie against Halesowen Town you state that there seems a higher percentage of errors this year. I fail to see how you came to this conclusion. The example you quote is that of Jamie Bates. Anyone who has purchased a copy of the book can see straight away it is a typographical error, similar to the ones that occur in the programme from time to time. Recent

examples from my "History" include: Ken Cook (Coote), Alan Weland (Nelmes), Arthur Port (Peat), Blunston (Blunstone) etc. etc.

The only other mistakes are in Bob Booker's goal tally which should read 1 FA Cup and 2 others and Gary Blissett's goals at Crewe which in the league amounted to 39, but here again they were mistakes in transmission. Errors of a similar nature occurred in four lines of form on Brentford players in the 1988 edition.

Frank Coumbe and myself go to considerable lengths to ensure everything is correct, but as you rightly point out nobody is perfect.

Rothman's, too, are prone to mistakes, in fact I have yet to see **one** edition which does not carry at least a couple of errors on the Brentford page. This year's are Bob Bookers goals total in the league, 42 as opposed to the correct figure of 41, and Wayne Turner's duo are missing completely.

Best wishes,

Yours faithfully,

GRAHAM HAYNES

Editors Reply: Nobody appreciates more than I the amount of research that Graham Haynes puts into anything he does for the Club. I have re-read my comments but cannot see where I made any reference to higher percentage of errors specifically applying to Brentford. However so far as our Club is concerned I will list the following in addition to those mentioned by Graham: 1. Mr. Radley-Smith, is an L.R.C.P. not L.R.C.R.

2. ROY CLARE referred to correctly in photo but ROY CLARK in officials.

3. Former manager MALCOLM MACDONALD name spelt wrong.

4. Our record defeat shows as 0-7 at Swansea on 8 November 1924. Should also show at 0-7 at Walsall January 19 1957.

5. On page 94 within few lines inconsistency over DAI HOPKINS, shown once as IDRIS once as DAI.

6. Page 95 shows Roger Joseph left for Wimbledon but page 94 says record transfer fee received £95,000 for Terry Hurlock.

7. Page 95 lists Richard Cadette as current player but page 94 says record fee paid for Alan Whitehead.

Perhaps on reflection Graham will agree my remarks were not too wide of the mark.



## SUPPORTERS ASSOCIATION NEWS

This afternoon Bolton Wanderers provide the opposition in what will probably be our last home match before the Christmas period. May I take this op-

portunity to wish all our supporters, the players and officials of the Football Club seasonal greetings for a very Merry Christmas.

Next Saturday 10th December we make the journey northwards in the 2nd Round of the F.A. Cup to Peterborough. Coaches will be making the journey leaving from outside the Braemar Road entrance to the ground. Details of the times of departures and prices will be announced this afternoon. The following Sunday 18th December we travel to Aldershot for a local derby match morning kick-off. Fare will probably be Adults £6 OAPs/Juniors £5.50. Details of any travel arrangements will either be announced this afternoon or be available from Bees Line.

Collection of coach tickets will be available as usual from the room beneath the New Stand in Braemar Road before and after the game. Also available there are sponsor cards to sponsor every goal the Bees score this season for what ever you can afford.

David Twydale still has copies of his Rejected F.C. Book, full of interesting details of eleven ex-League clubs, namely Aberdare, Ashington, Bootle, Bradford, Burton (Swifts, Wanderers and United), Gateshead/South Shields, Glossop, Loughborough, Nelson, Stalybridge and Workington. Price is only £28.75. Anyone interested should contact me my address is at the bottom of these notes.

People are still required to come forward to help and participate in an **Old Tyme Music Hall** which we are trying to run **early in the New Year**, please contact Peter Gilham this afternoon or ring him on 941-0425.

Junior Bees F.C. supporters are looking for players for their U/9, U/11 squads, anyone interested should ring Mac North regarding U/9's 891-2744 and Malcolm Davis regarding U/11's 891-6652.

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### Third Division Scene continued

feats of Scunthorpe (2-1), Guisborough (1-0), Hayes (1-0) and Southend (3-1) having made these possible. The only other Third Division team at home are Reading who after beating Hendon 4-2, now face another non-League team in Maidstone who include ex-Bee Steve Butler. One of his Griffin Park colleagues Robbie Cooke should line up for Kettering against Bristol Rovers who beat Fisher 3-0, whilst also possibly travelling to non-League territory are Cardiff who meet Enfield or Leyton Orient, following their 3-0 defeat of Hereford. Replays saw Preston lose 3-0 at Tranmere, Gillingham 1-0 at Peterborough, and Mansfield 2-1 at Sheffield United, who travel to Doncaster tomorrow for a noon kick-off. That just leaves Swansea (3-1 victors over Northampton) to travel to Colchester, and Notts County to go to Hartlepool in a game which I mistakenly said was a First Round tie in this column a fortnight ago. County in fact won 2-1 at Darlington whilst Wigan were going down at Hartlepool, but I somehow got the two the wrong way round!



# Commercial Scene...



## BRENTFORD v WOLVERHAMPTON WANDERERS

Ticket arrangements for the above match will be as follows:

**Brentford F.C. Members** — Tickets will be available to purchase on the date as normal.

**Season Ticket Holders** — Entry will be as normal.

**Non Members** — A ticket must be purchased in advance of the match otherwise you will not be admitted to the ground. Tickets will be on sale in New Road and Braemar Road today and also on 26th December. You can also purchase tickets during office hours (9.00 a.m. until 5.30 p.m.) Monday-Friday.

### JUNIOR BEES

We would like to wish a Happy Birthday to the following Junior Bees members:

- 4th December Alan Lempriere (050)
- Simon Burgess (140)
- 6th December Joseph Parks (119)
- 8th December Matthew Lister (133)
- 10th December Tony Brice (057)
- Keris Bradford (116)
- 12th December Douglas Collins (048)
- Adam Patterson (179)
- 13th December Philip Thames (008)
- Erica Abi-Karam (056)
- Barry Pethers (075)
- Matthew Horder (165)
- Timothy Hogan (129)
- 14th December Greg Covacic (145)
- 15th December Lee Wildy (072)
- Graham Smith (085)
- 17th December David Goodall (107)
- 19th December Matthew Pratt (216)

- 20th December Peter May (224)
- 21st December Stuart Willmott (055)
- 22nd December Emma Lee (108)
- 23rd December Steve Harrison (141)
- Matthew Clements (155)

## SUPPORTERS! LOTTERY! SUPPORTERS

Do all supporters realise there are lottery sellers situated in all parts of the ground on match days. Many of you do purchase tickets, and we thank you for this. How about all the supporters who have not yet purchased a ticket, why not give it a try. If everyone purchased just one ticket per match, our sales would be terrific. The club benefits and also the ticket buyers. There are cash prizes totalling £16,000 to be won, also a chance to go in the draw for a fabulous family holiday in California. So please give it a go.

## ULTIMATE OFFICE CHRISTMAS PARTY

We now have just a few remaining places at our Christmas Lunch Party being held at the Heathrow Penta Hotel on Friday, 23rd December. Cabaret will be by Gary T. Thompson and there will be dancing to Johnny Howard's showband. Why not come and join us. Ring Polly Kates on 01-560-6062 to book your place now.

## JOIN US FOR EASTER

Are you joining us for our Easter trip to Blackpool on 27th March? The itinerary will be as follows:

### March 24th

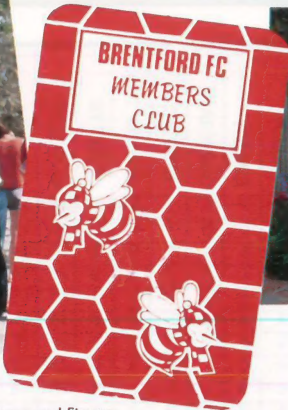
Attend home fixture against Fulham. Directly after the game leave for the Park Hall Hotel, Chorley, near Preston, arriving early evening. Attend medieval feast in the evening.

## BEES INN — MATCHDAY MEMBERSHIP

The committee has decided to extend matchday membership to the Bees Inn to 250. The current limit is 200. If you are interested, please send two passport photographs and £10.00 (£2.00 reduction for Lifeline members) or £5.00 if a senior citizen (£2.00 reduction for Lifeline members) to Peter Gilham c/o Brentford Football Club.



# Commercial Scene...



Last season's lucky ten Lifeline California holiday Winners.



## March 25th

At leisure, enjoy the hotel's leisure and fitness centre or visit the Camelot Theme Park that adjoins the hotel. There will be dinner and cabaret for the evening.

## March 26th

Leisure day, dinner in evening with entertainment.

## March 27th

Breakfast, relaxed morning then off to our Bank Holiday fixture against Blackpool, kick-off 3.00 p.m.  
Further details from Keith Loring on 01-560-6062.

## CLUB SHOP

The Club Shop will be open for you to buy all your special Christmas gifts on the following dates during December:

Monday, 12th December 10.00 a.m. — 3.30 p.m.  
Tuesday, 13th December 10.00 a.m. — 3.30 p.m.  
Wednesday, 14th December 10.00 a.m. — 3.30 p.m.  
Thursday, 15th December 10.00 a.m. — 3.00 p.m.  
Friday, 16th December 10.00 a.m. — 3.00 p.m.  
Monday, 19th December 10.00 a.m. — 3.00 p.m.  
Tuesday, 20th December 10.00 a.m. — 3.00 p.m.  
Wednesday, 21st December 10.00 a.m. — 3.00 p.m.  
Thursday, 22nd December 10.00 a.m. — 3.00 p.m.  
Friday, 23rd December 10.00 a.m. — 2.00 p.m.  
These times are in addition to opening times on matchdays.

## CHILDREN IN NEED

We would like to thank Craig Kitching who kindly bid £50.00 for a bouquet of flowers in aid of the BBC's Children In Need Appeal.

## TODAY'S MASCOT



Welcome to Peter May, today's mascot. He is nearly 9 years old and enjoys playing football for his school team and is a keen Cub Scout.

Peter's favourite Brentford player is Andy Sinton, he also supports the England team. Peter has been sponsored today by Dave Wilkinson a match day steward. Enjoy yourself Peter.



Another £500 Lifeline Winner Malcolm Porter.



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## BRENTFORD F.C. LEAGUE DIVISION THREE

● Matches at Griffin Park

BRENTFORD F.C. LEAGUE DIVISION THREE		RESULT	ATTENDANCE	PARKS	FEELY	STANISLAUS	MILLEN	EVANS	COCKRAM	JONES	SINTON	CADETTE	BLISSETT	SMILLIE	BIRCH	BOOKER	BATES	PERRYMAN	SMEULDERS	HOLDSWORTH	BEACOE	
● Matches at Griffin Park																						
Aug 27	● Huddersfield Town	1-0	5016	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	9s	14						
Aug 30	Fulham (LCC1 (1L))	2-2	5489	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12		14					
Sept 3	Northampton	0-1	4488	1		3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	9s	6s	2					
Sept 6	● Fulham (LCC1 (2L))	1-0	7707	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	9s		3s					
Sept 10	● Wigan Athletic	1-1	4081	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12		5s					
Sept 17	Swansea City	1-1	5015	1		3	4	5	12	7	8	9	10	11		6	2	6s				
Sept 21	Bristol Rovers	2-1	3836	1	14	3	4	5	12	7	8	9	10	11		6	2					
Sept 24	● Sheffield United	1-4	6577	1	12	3	4	5		7	8	9	10	11		6	2	6s				
Sept 27	Blackburn R. (LCC2 (1L))	1-3	4606	1	14	3	4	5		7	8	9	10	11		6	2	6s				
Oct 1	● Gillingham	1-0	4839	1	3		4	5	6s	7	8	9	10	11		6	2	14				
Oct 5	Chester City	2-3	2004	1	3	3s	4	5	6s	7	8	9	10	11		6	2					
Oct 9	● Southend United	4-0	5016		2s	2	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11		14	3		1			
Oct 12	● Blackburn R. (LCC2 (2L))	4-3	3844		6s	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11		11s	2		1			
Oct 15	Bury	1-3	2359	11	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10				6s	2		1	3s		
Oct 22	● Preston North End	0-2	5008		2	3	4			7	8	9				6s	5	6	1	10	11	
Oct 25	Chesterfield	2-2	1876		6s		4	5		7	8	9	10				3	6	1	11	2	
Oct 29	● Port Vale	2-1	5212		6	3	4	5		7	8	9	10				2	6s	1	11s		
Nov 5	Reading	2-2	7974		6	3	4	5		7	8	9	10				2		1	10s	11	
Nov 8	● Notts County	2-1	4013		6	3		5		7	8	9	10				2		1	9s	11	
Nov 12	Mansfield Town	0-1	3181		6	3		5		7	8	9	10				14	2		1	5s	11
Nov 19	● Halesowen (FA1)	2-0	4514		6		4	5	9s	7	8	9	10		1		2				3	
Nov 22	Fulham (SVT)	2-0	2376		6		4	5	9s	7	8	9	10		1		2				3	
Nov 25	Cardiff City	0-1	3405		6	3	4	5	6s	7	8	9	10		1		2					
Nov 29	● Gillingham (SVT)	2-0	3713		2		4	5	6	7	8	9	10		1			3				
Dec 3	● Bolton Wanderers																					
Dec 10	Peterborough (FAC2)																					
Dec 18	Aldershot																					
Dec 26	● Blackpool																					
Dec 31	● Wolverhampton Wand.																					
Jan 2	Fulham																					
Jan 7	Bristol City (F.A. Cup 3)																					
Jan 14	● Northampton Town																					
Jan 21	Wigan Athletic																					
Jan 28	● Swansea City (FA Cup 4)																					
Feb 4	Gillingham																					
Feb 11	● Chester City																					
Feb 17	Southend United																					
Feb 18	F.A. Cup Round 5																					
Feb 25	● Bury																					
Feb 28	● Chesterfield																					
Mar 4	Preston North End																					
Mar 11	● Reading																					
Mar 13	Port Vale																					
Mar 18	Huddersfield Town (FAC 6)																					
Mar 24	● Fulham																					
Mar 27	Blackpool																					
Apr 1	● Aldershot																					
Apr 4	● Bristol City																					
Apr 8	Wolverhampton Wand.																					
Apr 15	● Bristol Rovers (FAC S-F.)																					
Apr 22	Sheffield United																					
Apr 29	● Mansfield Town																					
May 1	Notts County																					
May 6	Bolton Wanderers																					
May 13	● Cardiff City																					
May 20	F.A. Cup Final																					

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				GOALSCORERS
				Cockram (52)
				Sinton (1), Stanislaus (82)
				Blissett (94)
				Blissett (17)
				Millen (57)
				Cadette (47, 90)
				Sinton (pen.) (43)
				Blissett (27)
				Sinton (pen) (66)
				Blissett (41), Cadette (44)
				Evans (48), Sinton (57, 80), Cockram (70)
				Cadette (27, 60), Sinton (67), Jones (77)
				Cockram (32)
2s				
	5s			Cadette (77, 89)
		11		Jones (55), Holdsworth (76)
			14	Sinton (18, 24 pen)
14			4	Cadette (43, 69)
			4	
		11	11s	Evans (13), Sinton (37)
	3s	11		Blissett (7), Cadette (35)
		14s	11	
14		11	12	Blissett (62), Cockram (65)

## WARNING

At the beginning of the season more than 110 League grounds in England, Wales and Scotland will be equipped with CLOSED CIRCUIT TELEVISION which has been funded by The Football Trust

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## CLOSED CIRCUIT TELEVISION

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Safety 2,254,723  
Improvements 770,561

In addition to its safety programme, FGIT has also allocated £1.5 million to build or improve family and disabled facilities at League grounds during 1988

## BARCLAYS LEAGUE DIVISION THREE

(Up to and including Tuesday, 29th November 1988)

	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Wolves	17	7	2	0	23	7	5	1	2	17	11	39
Sheff. Utd.	16	8	0	0	24	4	3	1	4	15	14	34
Port Vale	16	6	1	1	24	8	4	2	2	15	10	33
Bury	17	5	2	1	14	7	4	1	4	15	15	30
Swansea	17	4	3	1	12	9	4	2	3	11	11	29
Bristol Rov.	17	6	1	2	21	11	2	3	3	13	15	28
Preston	17	5	2	1	18	10	2	4	3	9	13	27
Fulham	17	5	3	0	16	8	3	0	6	11	16	27
Bolton	17	5	2	2	22	12	2	3	3	8	8	26
Reading	17	4	4	1	17	10	3	1	4	12	14	26
Mansfield	17	4	5	0	15	10	1	4	3	4	8	24
Bristol City	17	2	3	3	10	10	4	3	2	10	10	24
Chester	17	5	3	1	17	9	1	3	4	12	22	24
Huddersfield	17	4	2	2	12	7	3	0	6	8	19	23
Brentford	17	5	1	2	12	9	1	3	5	10	15	22
Blackpool	17	4	3	2	15	9	1	3	4	8	10	21
Cardiff	14	5	1	2	13	6	0	3	3	3	13	19
Southend	17	3	3	2	11	9	1	2	6	10	23	17
Northampton	17	3	0	5	15	14	2	1	6	9	16	16
Notts Co.	16	1	5	3	11	10	1	3	3	5	9	14
Wigan	17	2	2	5	8	12	1	3	4	11	15	14
Gillingham	17	2	0	6	9	14	2	1	6	7	15	13
Aldershot	16	2	4	7	11	0	3	5	6	22	11	
Chesterfield	16	1	1	5	5	16	1	1	7	3	27	8

## APPEARANCES

Cadette	23
Jones	23
Sinton	23
Blissett	22
Evans	22
Millen	21
Bates	19(2)
Stanislaus	18(1)
Feeley	15(2)
Smillie	13
Parks	11
Smeulders	9
Cockram	8(5)
Pearce	7
Booker	6(4)
Buttigieg	3(1)
Godfrey	3(1)
Roberts	3
Holdsworth	2(5)
Perryman	2(4)
Birch	0(3)
Gayle	0(1)
Lee	0(2)

## SCORERS

Cadette	10
Sinton	9(3 pens)
Blissett	5
Cockram	3
Evans	2
Jones	2
Holdsworth	1
Millen	1
Stanislaus	1

## STAR PLAYERS

Cadette	3
Feeley	3
Sinton	3
Smillie	3
Blissett	2
Evans	2
Jones	2
Millen	2
Bates	1
Pearce	1
Stanislaus	1



# Team check

## Brentford

Shirts: Red/White stripes Shorts: Black

**Jeremy Roberts** Non-contract player who formerly played for Darlington, Leicester City and Hartlepool United.

**Andy Feeley** Versatile defender or midfielder. Started his career with Hereford United and moved to Leicester via Trowbridge. Given free by Leicester after cartilage operation and snapped up in 1987 close season.

**Roger Stanislaus** One of last season's outstanding discoveries. Released by Arsenal and came to Griffin Park and was ever present after making his debut at Preston on 29th September 1987.

**Keith Millen** Product of Brentford Youth policy played at Wembley at 16 in the 1985 Freight Rover Trophy Final. Has won Flat Young Player of the Month award.

**Terry Evans** Originally signed from Hillingdon Borough. His career was threatened by serious ligament damage but has made a remarkable recovery only missing one game after returning to the side last November.

**John Buttigieg** Maltese International signed from Sliema Wanderers for a £40,000 fee. Impressed whilst guesting for the Club in a pre-season tour of Portugal.

**Keith Jones** Signed by Brentford in September 1987 from Chelsea for £40,000 their highest for a midfield player. Takes over as skipper from departed Wayne Turner. England Youth International 1983.

**Andy Sinton** Brentford rejected an Oxford United bid of £150,000 for his services last season. Ever present since signing from Cambridge United in December 1985. Last two seasons has won both supporters and Players choice as Player of the Year. Top scored last term with 12 goals.

**Richard Cadette** Record £77,500 transfer from Sheffield United in July. Scored 55 goals in two seasons for Southend United and was previously with Leyton Orient.

**Gary Blissett** Signed in £60,000 deal from Crewe in March 1987. Regular goalscorer although last season finished second behind Andy Sinton with 10 goals.

**Kevin Godfrey** Signed in October on a non-contract basis after making over 300 appearances for Leyton Orient.

## Bolton

Colours: White and Navy

**David Felgate** Now in his third spell at Burnden Park. Ever present in the League since taking over from Mike Salmon in February 1986, a run of 83 consecutive League games. Also played for Lincoln, Grimsby, Rochdale, Crewe and Cardiff, and capped once by Wales.

**Phil Brown** Pre-season signing from Halifax, for whom he made 135 League appearances. Previously had 217 League games for Hartlepool. Ever present this season.

**Barry Cowdrill** Pre-season signing from WBA, for whom he had 131 League games.

**Nick Brookman** YTS signing who had 34 League games to his credit prior to this season.

**Dean Crombie** Won a Third Division Championship medal with Grimsby and also played for Lincoln City.

**Mark Winstanley** 6' 1" defender who came up through the ranks. Ever present this season.

**Phil Neal** Bolton's Manager since December 1985. Has won more honours than any player in English football history, and recently made his 700th League appearance.

**Steve Thompson** Former apprentice with more than 250 senior games for Bolton under his belt.

**Trevor Morgan** Former team mate of Terry Hurlock at Leytonstone & Ilford for whom Bolton is his sixth League club. Bournemouth, Mansfield, Bristol City, Exeter and Bristol Rovers are the others. Top scorer with 7 so far.

**Ian Stevens** Signed from Stockport County and previously with Preston.

**Julian Darby** Local lad now approaching his 100th senior game. Ever present this season.

**Stuart Storer** Limited League experience with Mansfield, Birmingham and Everton before joining Bolton.

**Gary Henshaw** Signed after more than 50 games for Grimsby.



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